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ATTENTION: Examiner Glenn Zimmerman
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RE: U.S. Serial No. 10/627,912; filed July 25, 2003
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PATENT
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INVENTOR(S) : Igor V. Lisityn, et al.
TITLE : FLUORESCENT LAMP ELECTRODE
FOR INSTANT START AND RAPID
START CIRCUITS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 13, 2005, on the above-referenced patent application, applicants respectfully elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-12, 22, and 23, drawn to a discharge lamp, classified in class 313, subclass 344, without traverse. However, please note that both method and apparatus claims were maintained in the parent application, now U.S. Patent No. 6,809,477.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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